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SUBJECT: PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS DETAINED

REF: (A) SEOUL 6214, (B) SEOUL 5705

1. NCCK SOURCES REPORT THAT POLICE HAVE DETAINED GROUP OF MINISTERS OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF KOREA IN KWANG JU. MINISTERS WERE ATTENDING MEETING ON AUGUST 10 OR 11 OF PRESBYTERS OF SOUTH CHOLLA PROVINCE. AT PRAYER MEETING BEFORE SESSION, ONE MINISTER READ STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR MYONGDONG TRIAL DEFENDANTS AND CRITICAL OF ROKG. AS OF AUGUST 12 POLICE REPORTEDLY HOLDING EIGHT MINISTERS IN HOTEL FOR QUESTIONING.

2. NCCK PLANS TO QUESTION ROKG ABOUT AFFAIR IN LOW KEY MANNER. NCCK BELIEVES INCIDENT WILL COMPLICATE PROPOSED CHURCH-STATE RAPPROCHMENT (SEE SEOUL 5705), BUT INTENDS TO PURSUE DIALOGUE ORIGINALLY ENVISAGED TO REDUCE TENSIONS AND MISUNDERSTANDINGS WITH GOVERNMENT. APPARENTLY, NCCK HOPES AT THE MOMENT THAT INCIDENT MAY BE RESOLVED QUIETLY AND NOT BECOME NEW POINT OF FRICTION.

3. LOCAL EDITION OF STARS AND STRIEBMTIINXKA

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